

Amendments to the Claims:

Status of Claims:

Claims 23-37 are pending for examination.

Claims 1-22 are canceled.

Claims 35-37 are new.

Claims 26 & 29 are currently amended.

Claims 23, 26, & 29 are in independent form.

1. – 22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously Presented) A method by which a portable computer interacts with a handheld device, the method comprising the following:

waking the portable computer from a sleep mode in response to the portable computer receiving a wireless communication directly from the handheld device with no intervening devices and no intermediary devices;

recognizing the wireless communication by the portable computer;

responding to the wireless communication by the portable computer,

including the following :

generating a response, and

transmitting the response to the handheld device, the transmitting being performed via another wireless communication transmission; and,

returning the portable computer to the sleep mode.

24. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 23 wherein the transmission of the response by the portable computer is made directly to the handheld device via a wireless network.

25. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 24 wherein the wireless communication is one of the following:

an access by the handheld device into a database within the portable computer;

an access by the handheld device into a calendaring program within the portable computer program.

26. (Currently Amended) A method by which a portable computer interacts with a handheld device, the method comprising the following:

waking the portable computer from a sleep mode in response to the portable computer receiving a wireless communication directly from the handheld device with no intervening devices and no intermediary devices;

recognizing the wireless communication by the portable computer;

performing an action in response to the wireless communication by the handheld device; and,

returning the portable computer to the sleep mode in response to performing the action.

27. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 26 wherein the wireless communication is performed via a wireless network.

28. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 26 wherein the wireless communication is one of the following:

an access by the handheld device into a database within the portable computer;

an access by the handheld device into a calendaring program within the portable computer program.

29. (Currently Amended) Storage media, the storage media storing software which when executing on a portable computer performs a method by which the portable computer interacts with a handheld device, the method comprising the following:

waking the portable computer from a sleep mode in response to the portable computer receiving a wireless communication directly from the handheld device with no intervening devices and no intermediary devices;

recognizing the wireless communication by the portable computer;

performing an action in response to the wireless communication by the portable computer; and,

returning the portable computer to the sleep mode in response to performing the action.

30. (Previously Presented) Storage media as in claim 29 wherein the wireless communication is performed via a wireless network.

31. (Previously Presented) Storage media in claim 29 wherein the wireless communication is one of the following:

an access by the handheld device into a database within the portable computer;

an access by the handheld device into a calendaring program within the portable computer program.

32. (Previously Presented) Storage media as in claim 29 wherein the handheld device is a personal digital assistant (PDA).

33. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 23 wherein the handheld device is a personal digital assistant (PDA).

34. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 26 wherein the handheld device is a personal digital assistant (PDA).

35. (New) The method of claim 23, where the sleep mode is a low power state.

36. (New) The method of claim 26, where the sleep mode is a low power state.

37. (New) The storage media of claim 29, where the sleep mode is a low power state.